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In re Application of: Wayne M. Kennard

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For:

SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR

REDEMPTION OF AWARDS BY

AWARD PROGRAM PARTICIPANTS

Examiner: D. Champagne

Group Art Unit:

3622

## Reply

Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action dated August 18, 2004.

Claims 1-10 are currently pending in the present application. Applicant has reviewed the Examiner's response and the bases for rejection of the claims of the application. In view of these bases for rejection, Applicant sets forth the following that traverses these rejections, thereby placing the present application in condition for allowance. Applicant's Remarks/Arguments begin on page 2 of this Reply.